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DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated
below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original,
first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and
for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled Control of weight during evaporation of
samples, the specification of which:

_____ is attached hereto.

X was filed on 7th June 1999 as

PCT Application Serial No. PCT/GB99/01790

and was amended on _____ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification,
including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this
application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119 of any
foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below
any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the
application on which priority is claimed:

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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